

What is claimed is:

1. A semiconductor device having a lower pattern density in an edge area than in a central area of a wafer, comprising:
5 a plurality of bar-type patterns allocated at a predetermined distance in the central area of the wafer;
 a plurality of dummy patterns formed in the edge area;
 and
 a plurality of a connection pattern adapted to couple at
10 least two of the bar-type patterns to each other and adapted to couple the dummy patterns to each other;
 wherein the connection patterns of the plurality of dummy patterns is allocated in a zigzag fashion.
- 15 2. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 1, wherein the bar-type pattern is a pattern for a device isolation layer or a landing plug contact.
3. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 2,
20 wherein the dummy pattern includes:
 a first bar-type pattern;
 a second bar-type pattern allocated at a predetermined distance from the first bar-type pattern; and
 the connection pattern adapted to connect the first bar-
25 type pattern to the second bar-type pattern.
4. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 3,

wherein the first and the second bar-type patterns are in a range of about 80% to about 120% of the size of the bar-type pattern.

5 5. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 1,
wherein the dummy pattern includes N number of bar-type
patterns allocated at a predetermined distance between two
bar-type patterns, where N is a positive integer, and wherein
at least two bar-type patterns of the N number of bar-type
10 patterns are connected.

6. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 5,
wherein the size of the bar-type patterns is in ranges from
about 80% to about 120% of the size of the bar-type pattern.
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7. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 1,
wherein the central area and the edge area are a cell center
area and a cell edge area, respectively.

20 8. The semiconductor device as recited in claim 1,
wherein the central area is a core cell area and the edge area
is a peripheral area.